



DURING Christmas times don't forget the poor.

Now that the Democrats have stolen Maine, what are they going to do with it? It's too large to hide, and too dangerous to keep.

INDICATIONS: For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, north and west winds, cooler, partly cloudy weather and rising barometer.

THERE is to be started in New Orleans a new Republican paper called the *Ledger*. We don't know of any better field for missionary work than that.

The Low-tax men at Nashville are rapidly throwing off their sheep's clothing. They certainly mean business, and the State-credit Democrats will have their hands full in managing them.

How will the *Daily Savage* do as a name for the new Republican organ? The last part is certainly suggestive. By the way, wasn't it just a little bit too bad to pass the *Franklin Review* in searching for a mouth-piece.

WHILE he was in Philadelphia, Gen. Grant slept in the same bed "upon which the Emperor Pedro reposed." Such a base design upon our common liberties as must necessarily be formed while the General placed his head upon the pillow where once royalty did recumbent lie, must be crushed with an iron heel. Crush it, *Tribune*, and *Dispatch*, and *Chattanooga Times*, and your *Trays*, *Blanches* and *sweethearts*.

THE "low-tax" Democrats in the Tennessee Legislature, under the leadership of Gov. Marks, have made a mistake. It is true they have a majority of their party to back them, and under ordinary circumstances could afford to show their hands. But in this case, it is the brains and money of the Democracy, against the flesh and muscle, and brains will tell. Gregg and Savage and Wilson and Marks intend to be leaders, but with such powerful moulders of public opinion as the *Nashville American*, *Memphis Appeal*, and *Knoxville Tribune* to contend against, they will find that they have a hard road to travel. They have the numbers, but will hardly make themselves distinctly heard. They mean to enforce repudiation, but while the flesh is willing, they will find the spirit weak. They will be bulldozed, as it were.

#### REPUBLICAN RESOLUTIONS.

The Eight Kind of Talk from a Republican Caucus.

Senators Driekill, Miller, Sampson and Representatives Baker, Bearden, Butler, Carden, Dugan, Lewis, Mahoney, Pearson, Poston, Ramsey, Shelley, Smith, Trent and White, Republican members of the Senate and House, and other prominent members of the Republican party residing here, met at Mr. Pearson's room, on North Summer street, near Cedar, last night. With the exception of Representative Hawkins, who is absent from the city, all the Republican members of the Legislature were in attendance.

Judge J. R. Dillin, Chairman of the State Republican Executive Committee, was called to the chair, and J. A. Smith, of Memphis, appointed Secretary. Speeches were made on the State debt—the only question which was considered—by Messrs. Dillin, W. P. Jones, Hanson, Miller, Butler, Poston, Lewis, Ramsey, Mahoney, Shelley and Smith. The result of the discussion was the adoption of the following resolutions, after which the caucus adjourned:

Resolved, That we recognize the State debt as the paramount issue in this State, and we will not support any person or proposition looking to the repudiation of the same. We regard the bonded debt obligation of our State as legally binding, and we pledge ourselves to use all honorable means within our power to pay the holders of our bonds such an amount of the same as they may demand.

Resolved, That we utterly condemn the spirit of repudiation, whether manifested at home or abroad.

#### IRELAND.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A dispatch from Queenstown says Parnell and Dillon have just sailed. The Land League commissions them to receive assistance for the relief of the distressed in Ireland, which the League will distribute. The distress is very pressing. A special meeting of the New York reception committee is called for an early day during the coming week to take action on the distress question. All Irish societies are invited to send delegations.

#### FOREIGN NEWS.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 21.—A dispatch from Gen. Roberts, dated the 18th inst., urges Gen. Gough's immediate advance in light order, without tents, and only taking ammunition and supplies for five or six days. Gen. Roberts states that there is no enemy between Gagdallak and Cabul to oppose Gen. Gough's advance, and adds that he shall be able to settle affairs in Cabul when Gen. Gough joins him. Gen. Gough will leave Gagdallak on the 21st (to-day), with 1,400 men, and 4 guns, picking up 700 men and two guns at Latabond.

#### TELEGRAPHIC.

The Maine Excitement at Fever Heat in Washington.

Gen. Garfield Advises Resistance to the Extent of Force.

Assurance That the President will Sustain the Republican Legislature.

The Republican Members elect in Maine Decide to so Organize.

Now Let the Democrats Cuss and Yell "Fraud."

#### SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CHRONICLE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.

The following telegram was last night sent to Senator Hamlin, in Maine: "Gen. Garfield advises resistance even to the extent of force. He has seen the President who assures him that he will recognize the Davis Legislature, (Republican) if set up, as the legal Legislature of Maine."

By the act of Feb. 28, 1875, Congress delegated to the President the power to decide whether a Government organized in a State is the duly constituted government thereof, and after he has decided the courts are bound to sustain his decision. The President regards Chief Justice Toney's decision in the celebrated Luther vs. Borden suit as analogous to the Maine situation.

A letter from a prominent Maine Republican states that the Republican members to the Legislature, holding certificates of the Returning Board, and those who have been counted out by Garcelon, will meet and proceed to elect Davis Governor. Should the Garcelon crew attempt to organize, Davis will declare them in revolt, and after a proclamation ordering them to disperse, he will invoke National aid. Great excitement prevails here to-night and all sorts of rumors are in circulation, but the above is a fair statement of the President's determination in the matter.

#### MAINE.

BANGOR, Dec. 21.—The indignation meeting held here last night to condemn the action of the Governor and Council in counting out the certain recently elected Senators and Representatives, was overwhelmingly attended. Speeches were made by Senator, F. W. Wilson, and Capt. Boutelle, of the Republican State Committee, and others.

Capt. Boutelle declared if this great wrong were allowed to go on it would result in bloodshed, and he believed a general uprising of the people of the State would secure the State to the candidates who received a majority of the votes. A committee was appointed by the meeting to take such action as might be thought necessary.

#### MISSOURI.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—Between four hundred and five hundred negroes have passed through here within a week, on their way to different points of Kansas. All of these were able to pay their way, but there are now in the city about 150 negroes who will have to be helped on their journey. The colored Relief Board has advised that seven thousand people are ready or preparing to leave Mississippi, and they expect to be obliged to relieve the wants of the destitute when they arrive, although they are now without the necessary funds. The Arkansas negroes have caught the emigration fever and five hundred are now on their way North.

#### GEORGIA.

COLUMBUS, GA., Dec. 20.—On Thursday night John Duncan, a train hand on the Southwestern Railroad, fell between the cars at a point 35 miles from this place, which passed over him, mangling him horribly.

Geo. W. Gammon, 65 years of age, an old citizen, while on his way home last night, had his throat cut from ear to ear and his pockets rifled, robbery supposed to be the object of the murder. The Coroner's inquest failed to find any clue to the perpetrator.

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A special from Pittsburg, Pa., says: The people of this city are in a fever of excitement to-day owing to a fistfight which took place in the First Reformed Presbyterian Church last night. Some weeks ago the congregation voted for a pastor. Rev. Nevins Woodside receiving 167 votes against 116 for other candidates. A majority of the Trustees were bitterly opposed to Woodside and charged that his selection was the result of illegal votes. The majority of the congregation were determined that Woodside should be their pastor, especially as the call was sustained by the Presbytery. An appeal was taken to the Synod, and since then there have been bitter quarrels among the members of the church. The Woodside faction triumphed over their enemies, and on one occasion, notwithstanding the existence of an injunction restraining Woodside from preaching until the appeal was decided. He gained admission to the church by strategy and held his place all day, and listened to a sermon by the pastor in the evening. Last night the quarrel terminated in a free fight. There were rumors during the day that serious trouble was brewing. Both factions were present in full force, and there was a large attendance of outsiders, attracted by the prospect of a row. The trouble began early. Woodside wanted to preach, but his opponents had another clergyman whom they wished to preach. Both parties were red-hot, and the excited spectators gave vent to their feelings in remarks designed to encourage their favorite. The Trustees and Sunday School teachers took sides and shouted excitedly, and one of the persons essayed to mount the rostrum. He was seized by his antagonist and roughly hustled from the steps. This led to a general fight. It was thickest around the altar, but all over the Church we heard the sound of blows. Many of the women screamed and fainted, but some of the stronger minded encouraged the combatants with cheers. Two or three of the males took advantage of the confusion to settle old scores among themselves. For a quarter of an hour the battle raged furiously. Heads were punched, eyes were blackened, arms broken and women knocked down. The yells and screams were frightful. The police were called in and after some difficulty succeeded in quieting the riot. Several arrests were made. The church this morning presents a sorry appearance. The pews are broken, remnants of gas globes are strewn over the floor, hymn books and Bibles are scattered in all directions as if they had been used as missiles, and a large quantity of hair pins and bangs have been gathered up. The utmost indignation prevails in church circles. The matter will be investigated by the Presbytery, and it is expected that there will be several clerical suspensions. The rival pastors were in the thickest of the fray.

#### NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A cigar dealer named Dan. Benestine has commenced suit against Cornelius J. Vanderbilt on an agreement said to have been entered into between the latter and Zachariah Simmons' lottery and policy manager, by which Vanderbilt was to pay Simmons \$50,000, the money advanced by the latter in case he should recover in the suit against his brother during the famous Vanderbilt will contest, Simmons having assigned the claim to Benestine. C. J. Vanderbilt denies the validity of the agreement, alleging that it is a blackmailing operation.

#### TEXAS.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 21.—A dispatch to the *Galveston News*, from Sherman, says a party of fifteen rowdies came there from Montague county and the Indian Territory to attend a disreputable dance, with the avowed determination not to be molested by the police officers. Officer Bond and Deputy Sheriff Farrott raided the party as they were leaving the dance. Pistols were drawn and in the melee two men named Mitchell and Elliott were shot. The former will die.

#### MINOR DISPATCHES.

MILWAUKEE, WIS., Dec. 22.—Best's malt house, office, barn and elevator, containing a large amount of grain, were destroyed by fire this morning. Loss over \$200,000; insurance will nearly cover the loss.

#### FROM NASHVILLE.

The Legislature Annexes Edgefield to Nashville and Adjourns Wednesday.

Attorney General Lea Says the Solons Can Pass the Appropriation Bill.

Low-Tax Men Holding Another Caucus for Organization.

#### SPECIAL DISPATCH TO THE CHRONICLE.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 22.—Senate bill to repeal the Charter of Edgefield and annex it to Nashville, passed final reading in the House.

The House adopted a resolution to adjourn Wednesday.

State Treasurer Polk received a telegram from Attorney-General Lea, announcing that the appropriation bill for the expenses of the session can be fully passed, though it was not mentioned in the call for the special session.

The Low-tax Democrats are in caucus to-night to complete their organization, and to take measures towards the establishment of a daily Low-tax paper in Nashville.

#### WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The counsel in the case of M. A. Dauphin, wishing to amend their bill in equity against the Postmaster General, the bill was dismissed this morning without prejudice, and a few minutes thereafter an amended complaint was filed by Senator Carpenter, counsel for Mr. Dauphin.

#### LOUISIANA.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 20.—Henry Williams, chief officer of the steamship, New York, who fell into the hold of that vessel, receiving fatal injuries, has since died.

In the case of Victor, alias Beebe Liacette, charged with the murder of police officer, Sampage, last July, the jury has returned a verdict of guilty without capital punishment.

#### PENNSYLVANIA.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 20.—Last night the Union freight line train on the Pennsylvania Railroad parted while descending a heavy grade on the western slope of the mountains. The engineer of the train put on full steam but the rear part of the train overtook the forward portion at a crossing and struck it with fearful force. Five cars were thrown from the track. H. D. Hoover, a brakeman, was instantly killed.

#### WEST VIRGINIA.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A Wheeling, West Virginia, special says: A gang of Wetzel county "Red-men," whose depredations have long been a terror in that region, visited the store of W. J. Umphry, in Tyler county, a few evenings since and robbed the premises of property amounting to four or five thousand dollars. The men were masked and armed, and on the owner attempting resistance he was knocked senseless, gagged and bound.

#### AT THE HOTELS.

List of Arrivals in the City. The following is a list of arrivals at the city hotels for December 21st and 22nd:

#### ATKIN HOUSE.

Wm. R. Sturgeon, Baltimore; E. A. Ramsey, Maryland; L. L. Lawrence, Tusculum; W. H. Julian, Lenoir; P. W. Murphy, Mossy Creek; Rev. J. S. Porter, T. J. Denton, Charleston; A. R. Edgar, Wit's Foundry; W. F. Poston, Albany; M. L. McDonnell, Maryland; Ed. L. Patterson, Heiskell's Station.

#### LAMAR HOUSE.

Wm. P. Mitchell, Sevierville; Jas. R. Gilmore, L. Murray Ferris, Jr., S. F. Brown, New York; S. D. McCullough, J. M. Salomon, Wilmington; D. L. Wm. R. Sturgeon, Baltimore; G. J. Foreacre, Georgia; J. C. Jackson, Bradford, Pa.

#### CONVICTS FROM JEFFERSON COUNTY.

Capt. Jno. F. Davis came down yesterday morning from Dandridge with three convicts, recently sentenced by the court there and took them out to Coal Creek yesterday evening. They were David Smith and Burt Parker, one white, the other colored, and Sarah Stewart, a white woman, each sent up for one year for larceny.

Capt. Davis informs us that out of 110 convicts now at the Coal Creek branch, there is not a single sick one among them. This certainly speaks well for the management. A squad will be taken to Nashville in a few days.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—The bullet which entered Mayor Kallach's chest last August, and since his convalescence has caused him considerable trouble, was yesterday extracted from his left arm-pit.

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#### DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT EBENEZER.

R. A. Sterling's Store and Warehouse Burned—Loss \$1,500; no insurance. R. A. Sterling, Esq., of Ebenezer, who was in the city yesterday, informs us that he was burned out root and branch, almost, Friday night. Between 12 and 1 o'clock his store house was discovered to be on fire, and it was so far gone that nothing whatever could be rescued. The flames were soon conducted to the warehouse, adjoining, in which he had about five hundred bushels of grain, and that also was a total loss, except between 60 and 75 bushels of wheat saved out. He has no idea how the fire originated.

The buildings were both owned by him, and perhaps the worst feature, he lost all his books, accounts, notes, etc. Esq. Sterling was also postmaster at Ebenezer, had the postoffice in the store, and all the mail matter was burned. There were no valuables, however. He estimates his total loss, at \$1,500 at the lowest calculation, and he had no insurance.

We regret exceedingly to learn of this calamity to Esq. Sterling, who is one of Knoxville's best and most thorough going citizens. It will be a serious set back, and he has the sympathies of many friends in his misfortune.

Pensions for Mexican Soldiers. MR. EDITOR: As the Legislature of the State of Tennessee, as well as the Congress of the United States, are at present in session, please let me ask you if it would not be an opportune time to ask the Legislature of the State to pass a resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives to advocate and vote for a bill allowing reasonable pensions to the survivors of the Mexican war.

Respectfully, D. W. NELSON.

A twelve months' volunteer.

#### The Harry Helm.

The steamer Harry Helm, which was recently purchased by Mr. H. M. Aiken, proprietor of the Rogersville Railroad, arrived at our wharf from Chattanooga, Saturday night. She will remain here for some days, receiving some necessary repairs, when she will be taken up to be run on the upper waters of the Holston, as a feeder to Mr. Aiken's road.

\$500 Reward.

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We are authorized and requested to announce H. B. BRANNEN as a candidate for Mayor, election to be held January 17th, 1880.

We are authorized to announce GEORGE W. ALBERS as a candidate for Mayor at the ensuing election in January, 1880.

For Aldermen.

We are authorized to announce B. F. BADGETT as a candidate for Alderman in the Sixth Ward at the ensuing January election.

We are authorized and requested to announce T. A. BURLIN as a candidate for Alderman in the Sixth Ward at the ensuing January election.

We are authorized and requested to announce PAT. MACKAY as a candidate for Alderman in the Seventh Ward at the ensuing January election, 1880.

We are authorized and requested to announce H. B. BRANNEN as a candidate for Alderman in the Sixth Ward at the ensuing election.

We are authorized and requested to announce HARRY CALLOWAY as a candidate for Alderman in the Fifth Ward at the ensuing January election.

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